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From the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore, dated 26th May 1948.

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Sri V. Vadavyasacharya, B.A.,

Chief Secretary to Government,
B A N G A L O R E.

I have the honour to forward herewith the Daily Report Nos.1-296to1-298 dated 25/5/48 received from the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore City, for favour of information.

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Submitted for perusal.
Kind reference is invited to speech by Sri Morka Mehota
28/5/48 Home Min.)
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Please record in the report
Dy. 28/5/48
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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore Dist.

Submitted

Draft letter to the Dy Comr, Bangalore is put up for approval

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Please put up fair copy also for the Chief Secy's approval.

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No.CC.1-298/47-48

BANGALORE CITY,
25th May 48.

From

C.CHANDY,Esq.,M.A.,B.L.,
Superintendent of Police,
Bangalore City.

To

Sri. M.K.APPAJAPPA, B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore.

Sir,

MUSLIM ACTIVITIES.

X. I have the honour to state that Prince Basolathjah and party who were put up in the West End Hotel are reported to have left for Secundarabad by Deccan Air Ways this morning.

DETENTION.

4) Janab Abdul Sattar, son of Mohammad Haneef, Ex-Police Constable and Brick Contractor, No.8-9, Khajee Street, Mohammadan Bloc, Basavangudi against whom the District Magistrate had issued a warrant of arrest on the 24th was arrested this day on his release from custody in a theft case and ordered to be detained at the Central Jail, Bangalore under Section 3 of the Public Security Act. The allegation against him was that he actively helped one Syed Ahamad, Basha, Khayum and others to smuggle arms and ammunition to Hyderabad and also encouraged Muslim Exodus from the State on false propaganda.

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of Binny Mills

Some Muslim workers/gave leave applications to the Management yesterday to grant them leave for 6 days as they are nervous about the situation created by the raid of the Razakars on the Train in Hyderabad territory and fear repressals from the Hindus. The Management did not think it worthwhile to grant leave on the grounds prayed for. Some Hindus workers who observed this contacted the Muslim workers and assured them that a Committee would be formed to safeguard their lives and properties.

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In Jali and Nalbandwadi localities the Muslims are reported to be perturbed over the developments caused by the attack on the train in Hyderabad and fear that the Hindus of the localities who still show signs of aloofness may take revenge on them. Some of them are reported to have consulted the League Leaders in the matter.

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The Young Muslim Association of Munireddypalya is reported to have been dissolved two days back.

Some Muslims are reported to have arrived from Hyderabad by a round-about route and their names are P.Abdul Khadar with five members of Ambur and Abdul Hye, No.7, Haines Road, Civil Station. The former party left for

Ambur this morning by the Madras Passenger Train.

LABOUR.

Amco Factory Association:

One Venkatasubba Rao, Socialist, is reported to have been elected as the Secretary of the Factory Association. Demands have been put on behlaf of the workers to give them work on Fridays and Saturdays, Provident Fund facilities enhanced D.A., etc. The Management are reported to have promised favourable consideration to most of the demands by the Association.

VOLUNTEER ORGANISATIONS

R.S.S.

On Sunday the 23rd instant some R.S.S. Volunteers are reported to have gone on Cycles towards Banashankari village and had casual discussions. Some of them were Srinivasa Rao, Madhava Rao, Prahalada Rao, Satyanarayana Rao, D.Krishna Murthy, Annaji and Viswanath. Their further activities are being watched.

SOCIALISTS.

It is reported that Mr.Ashoka Mehtha prior to his departure from Bangalore expressed that on account of him the privilege of electing two outsiders to all Labour Association as per the Mysore Labour Act was denied to the members of the Hindustan Air Craft Association. It was his impression that the India Government and the Mysore Government became nervous because he stood for Presidentship of the Association.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES.

About 50 Hindus of Hyderabad arrived this morning in Bangalore and about 10 Karachi passengers by the Poona Mail Train.

I have etc.,

Superintendent of Police,
Bangalore City.

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BANGALORE CITY,
24th May 48.

From

C.CHANDY, Esq.M.A., B.L.,
Superintendent of Police,
Bangalore City.

To

Sri. M.K.APPAJAPPA, B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore.

Sir,

MUSLIM ACTIVITIES.

I have the honour to state that the undermentioned Muslim gentlemen have been ordered to be detained at the Central Jail, Bangalore, by the District Magistrate, Bangalore District and they were admitted to the Jail this day (24-5-48).

2) Mohammad Issack, B.A., son of M.Abdul Rahiman, 51, years No.12, Khaji Street, Mohammadan Bloc, Basavangudi. He joined Mysore Lancers as a Probationer(Resaldar) in 1924 and was made to retire as Major when he was in charge of I Batln., Mysore Infantry in 1942 March. From then on he was carrying on correspondence with the Government either to keep him in service till his full terms or to grant him enhanced pension. Perhaps feeling dejected in his attempts he began to cultivate contacts with Muslims at Hyderabad and seems to have offered his services in any capacity there. On 22-5-48 on information that the individual is getting faked or forged tickets from Hyderabad to enable the Muslims to travel free with such tickets, his house was searched on a warrant issued by the District Magistrate, Bangalore District and a letter (Air Mail) from one Syed Ahamad of Hyderabad with three tickets was recovered. The tickets are from Bangalore City to Secundaraba Kachiguda (III Class - Mail). On verification it was found that the tickets were issued on 19th at Bangalore and the same has been collected at Hyderabad and date 22nd has been superimposed and thus make it current. Mr.Syed Ahamad who sent the tickets is reported to be a native of Bouringpet and working as an Assistant in National Food Products, Phasi Ganj Street, Hyderabad. The name of one Habeeb is mentioned in the correspondence and is reported to be an Assistant Secretary in Babe-Hukumath (High Court of Hyderabad).

3) Basha alias Mumtaj Ali, son of Abdul Khadar, No.26, Khajee Street, Mohammadan Bloc, Basavangudi. He was arrested on 22-5-48 under a warrant issued by the District Magistrate, Bangalore District. The reliable information against him was that he was collecting and canvassing arms and ammunitions and sending them to Hyderabad with the assistance of ~~Sl.No.2~~, one Syed Ahamad (to be arrested), Abdul Sattar(now under Police Remand in a theft case (referred to in this office Special Report of the 20th) and some others All these persons were also responsible for the migration of Muslims to Hyderabad.

Amongst the Muslim arrivals from Hyderabad a batch of about 15 Muslims under the leaderships of S.M.Sheriff, Ab Sabjan Sab and Mohammad Salar, Mandi Mohalla, Closepet, Syed Khasim, Door No.2, Jutka Driver, Simhaji Galli with three members, Babjan, Jutka Driver, Door No.82, II Main Road, Seshadripuram, with five members Mohammad Mustaffa, Beedi Merchant, Mandi Market, Mysore, with eight members were observed in the Platform.

Amongst the Muslims who left for Hyderabad on 22nd and 23rd nights were Syed Abdul Rasheed, No.2425, Mandi Mohalla, Mysore, with five persons 2) Khashmir Khan Kumbarpet, Bangalore City, 3) Sheik Mohammad, son of Abdul Majeed, 174-B, Majid Road, Civil Area, with four members, 4) Khaja Mohiddin, Mohammadan Bloc, Malleswaram, 5) Abdul Khuddus and Payaru, Razack Hotel, 6768, New Market Road, Civil Area, with three passengers, Ab 6) Abdul Kareem, merchant, no. 13, Nalbandvadi, with five persons, 7) Sied Ibrahim, 2352, Lashkar Mohalla, Mysore with two passengers, 8) Mohammad Peer and Mohammad Beig, peasants of Kunigal Taluk with five passengers, 9) S.M.Ghouse, Beedi Factory, Coimbatorewith three members, 10) Abdul Sammad, No.38, Irwin Road, Mysore, with two members, 11) Abdul Khuddus, Jutka Driver, Imambada, Bangalore, with four members, 12) T.Abdul Rahim Azadi, No.108, Chamarajpet, Davangere and few others were prominent.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES.

About 120 tickets were sold from the 21st night up to 23rd night to Hyderabad.

About 100 Hindus arrived during the period. Some of them are for the Races in Bangalore.

About 40 to 50 Sindhis arrived from Bombay during the period.

VOLUNTEER ORGANISATIONS

R.S.S

DETENTION.

M.S.Sethu Rao and P.S.Ramachandra Rao who were brought for interrogation on the 21 night at 1 A.M. were a interrogated. It was disclosed that the R.S.S. continue to-exist in several forms and the above two members are belonged to Ramaiah's Volley Ball Team, Sriramapuram. This team has taken the place of Sri Rama Shaka at Sriramapuram of the R.S.S. and Ramiah/who was formerly Shikshak in Ramachandrapur is the leader. P.S.Ramachandra Rao was let off with a warning as he was only an ordinary member and Mr.M.S. Sethu Rao was arrested under the directions of the District Magistrate, Bangalore on the 22nd instant. He was admitted into the Central Jail, Bangalore as a detenue in pursuance of a detention warrant issued by the District Magistrate on the 23rd instant.

RELIGIOUS

A party of a religious order under the leadership of one Srimathi; Gaya Bai are camping in Arya Vidya Shala, Kempe Gowda Road, for the last 4 or 5 days. Srimathi Gaya Bai makes usually speaches every day in the evenings to the visitors. Her camp is decorated with Flags and festoons of Kavi Colour. Some Muslims have taken the Flag for a Bhagavan Zenda of the R.S.S. and her speaches are alleged to be of a provocative nature because she refers to the plight of Hindus in Punjab and other places in Northern India. These Muslims saw some League leaders and complained to them. They have promised to contact the authorities in the matter.

Some more details may be asked about this lady
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LABOUR.

Motor Vehicles Owners' Association:

All the Service Owners who have formed an Association with Mr. Abdul Rahiman, Ex-President of the District Board as its President and Messrs: Viswananda and Srinivasan, Bus Service Owners as Joint Secretaries are reported to have decided to contact the Government to grant them further lease of life - if not of five years at least for a year more and to postpone nationalisation of Transport etc.

Binny Mill Association:

On 22-5-48 the General Body met opposite the Mill premises at 3-45 P.M. About 500 labourers had gathered. Srimathi Bhageerathamma presided. The Asst. Commissioner for Labour was present. In the course of her speech Srimathi. Bhageerathamma thanked the labourers for their co-operation to her in the past year when she was the President of the Mill Association.

Kappanna, Vice-President of the Association last year, made a speech in the course of which he criticised the disinterestedness of the members in the activities of the Association and appealed for unity.

Kappanna was elected as President of the Association for the coming year and Mr. D. Venkatesh as Secretary. The last named is a dimmissed worker of the Binny Mills and Ex-Externee of Mysore State.

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Superintendent of Police,
Bangalore City.

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BANGALORE CITY,
23rd -24th May 1948.

From

C.CHANDY,Esq.,M.A.,B.L.,
Superintendent of Police.
Bangalore City.

To

Sri. M.K.APPAJAPPA, B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Bangalore.

Sir,

SOCIALISTS.

I have the honour to enclose herein copy of the proceedings of the meeting held at the Municipal Gardens at about 6-30 P.M. on the 21st May 1948, for favour of information.

Mr.Ashoka Mehtha held a Press Conference on the 22nd instant at the Socialist Party Office. At the out set he handed out to the Pressmen a pre-prepared talk. It runs as follows:

"In the course of his talk to a group of press representatives, Mr.Ashok Mehata said:

As events unvail the face of freedom, the common man feels betrayed and lost Surely this was not the Freedom of his dreams for which he had fought and suffered. The prevelant temper of our rulers is to maintain the STATUS QUO in action and action in the reverse geer create a sense of revolution betrayed. The cantours of India's economy remain as onesided as before, no efforts no plans point towards any drastic change in those cantours.

The business of the Socialist Party to save people from Communalism and casteism into which the mighty wave of Nationalism is now getting scatered up. The Socialists must help the toilers and tillers to translate their consciousness of want into deciplined will for change.

It is the principle of stability, of conservative STATUS QUO that remains enthroned in our country. The selection of Mr.Rajagoplachari as the Governor General is not without significance. The principle of change is suspect, all those who continued to take the old radicalism of the Congress seriously do so at their peril.

World events are moving fast. The recent developments in Palestane may prove to be the dress rehersal of a new world war from which the Asian countries will not be allowed to remain aloof. Our Governments are as unprepared for meeting such external emergencies as for the internal crises. The backbone-lessness of the Government spreads lethargy in the country just when the State of alert tension is necessary.

The Socialist party hopes that all men of good will rise above other difference on the two most important issues; of the preparedness in the national defence and of maintaining the democratic and secular character of the free Indian State.

It is the opposition of the Communists to these two postulates of freedom that makes any co-operation with them, or even sympathy for them, impossible. Their new policy of burrowing underground of subterranean actions of violence and terroism is calculated to strengthen neither the sovereignty of the Indian State or the Democratic climate within it.

The Socialists represents the third force between the Congress that is getting drained out the radicalisam and the communits who are murdering Democracy The true path of progress has always to zig zag its way between the devil of infantalisam and the deep sea of conservative intertia."

In the course of question and answers he stated that unification of Karnataka is not a desirable one as he is not in favour of Linquistic Provinces united and that he desires that re-organisation of specially Administrative Units etc. A Panchayat Raj should be established thus removing the Capitalists and bureaucratic elements. A Stable Government based on a Socialist Economic and re-habilation of Society with due regard to a common man's needs is the cry of the Socialist Party. At present a big slice of wealth is taken by a small segament of Society. The Socialists have a different out-look and they are there to make new fabrics based on Socialist Principles. Profit should not be the aim of production but must be a society need. It is his opinion that the Communists are out to murder democracy by a sort of terrorism and they do not believe in people as they have alliance with Soviet Foreign Policy and have a totalatarian out-look. He then proceeded to explain the meaning of the Nationalisation, Industry and Economic Development and expressed that the Central Government is wedded to Capitalists and which drives towards the Communalism.

Press Conference closed at about 11-30 A.M.

Mr. Ashoka Mehtha left for Hubli by Poona Train on the night 22nd instant.

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Messrs: H.A. Ramaswamy, K.Kannan, Srikantappa of Mysore, S.Nagabhushana and about half a dozen others left for Belgaum last night to attend Karnataka Socialist Party Conference.

I have etc.,

Superintendent of Police.
Bangalore City.

Proceedings of the meeting held at the Municipal Gardens at about 6-35 P.M. on 21-5-48 under the auspices of the Socialist Party of Bangalore. Messrs. K.Kannan, H.A.Ramaswamy and K.L.Ramakrishna Rao of the Socialist Party were prominent.

Two Socialist Party Flags at each end of the Horse-shoe and one Dominion Flag at the centre were flying near the Dias.

About 1000 persons mostly students had gathered.

Loud Speakers were arranged

MR. H.A.RAMASWAMY

Mr.H.A.Ramaswamy speaking in Kannada said that about three or four years ago Mr.Ashoka Mehatha had come to Mysore in connection with the Students' Conference held at Nanjangud. He also said that it is needless to introduce the speaker of the day as he is a prominent Socialist Party Leader of Bombay and his activities as the party leaders is well known.

The Socialist Party in Bangalore is aged only about 3 or 4 months. He hoped that the party is already gaining momentum and with the full support of the public it would surely become as one of the most leading Party of the country. Touching the Karnataka Unification and making the Maharaja of Mysore as the Head of the Karnatak he said that this has become a great problem to be solved.

He then requested Mr.Ashoka Mehatha to address the gathering.

MR. ASHOKA MEHATHA

As he stood on the platform number of garlands were offered to him by various Labour and other organisations, one by one.

Then he addressed the gathering first in English and for a few minutes in Hindustani at the end.

Friends:

It is rather unfortunate that I cannot speak to you in your own language. The alternatives are that I have to speak in English or Hindustani. I have given to understand that many of you will be able to understand English and therefore I will address major portion of my speech in English and then for a little time in Hindustani. Friends you will pardon me if I am compelled to speak to you in a low tone. I am not doing well and I am suffering from throat trouble and therefore I am speaking to you in a very low tone.

I am sure most of you are anxious to know something about the Socialist Party. I find the audience is made up of preominently of young people, men who are anxious to understand the situation, to study the developments that took place before our eyes and to co-operate and participate in the developments in the construction that we all desired. Some of you are perhaps are already thrown into the Socialism and some of you have curiosity that is something better than idle curiosity. You are endevoured to demand from us about the work of the Socialist Party and the development of the Socialist Party and its movements in the Country.

Friends, from a long time, say many years, our people were fixing their attention, devoting their time for the achievement of Freedom of the Country. Our wast country was anxious to push out the alient Rulers from this Country. You and I and citizens of the country fought for freedom of the country and snatched the authority from the degraded Rulers who have ruled the States in the past. You desired Responsible Government

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and fought for the freedom of the country Some of you have sacrificed a lot in the struggle and others have offered your sympathy and co-operation to the Country's struggle. Generally speaking in the State in particular manner, the freedom for which you ax were dreaming, the objective of our support for freedom has come. The division of freedom has made us to follow so many miseries and difficulties. Is this the achievement of our Freedom? Communalism and hatred and discontentment has spread all over the country. Was this the fate of Freedom for which our Martyrs died, you and I die for? I had got an opportunity to meet you and speak to you and I know we would have talked about Freedom. We would have spoken in a manner entirely different from what is it to-day. Inspite of the fact that our leaders, men who have followed implicityly, loyally and who have sacrificed a lot, men who have been our leaders or inspirers have been or could have supposed to be in authority, it is surprising to see that the country remains still disorganised, as much in the shadow of misery as it was before. No fundamental working in the Factories and Mills have been effected, we find no change whatsoever in the Labour Class, no improvement on the looms, its mintangling wages continue, conditions have not xxx at all improved and they stand where they are. Surely this was not what was expected of the Freedom. Reporters of the present Government tell us that the country remains as it was. Prime Minister of India, Pandit Nehrux xxxxx tells us there would be change of time. If that equality of freedom is denied to us to-day it is because our Government is parting through great difficulties. There has been delay to face the problems, obstacles etc., the light of which their future Government have faced. I am sure all of us are aware of the difficulties that the Government has to face. You and I and millions of our countrymen have fought and faced lot of difficulties, but the question arises - when these difficulties in action would be a limitable solution. Let us forget. (At this time there was some disturbance in one of the corners of the field and interference.)

He continued: Let us get over interruption. As I was telling there is not the least doubt that the Government had to face most unusual difficulties. But let us not be forgotten even in the light of difficulties the Government had the entire support of the people. The Government of Free India carried on all its activities with the full support of the people of the country (Again the trouble - then he questioned "What is the trouble?")

Friends: The difficulties really created the situation to its worst.

(As there was continued disturbance Mr.K.Kannan addressed the gathering in Tamil and appealed to the public with special reference to the Binny Workers to be patient and the speach of the speaker would be translated into Kannada)

Friends: I was trying to point out that these very difficulties, these struggle created the state of unsettlement (Laughter). The minds of the people were upon the changes for the good and demanded for these changes, because of the failure of the Government to push forward and to move forward the state of discentment that are seen through out the country. Achievement of Freedom was not a glamour flood phynomenon. Peoples mind was for radical changes . That atmosphere could have been taken advantage for the achievement of a big advance rather than to curb it down.

In your State Responsible Governmen came in not as a result of the fight of a single individual or group of individuals. You all fought for the achievement of freedom. Your solidarity, your discipline, your sacrifices created a terror to the Government

and transferred the power to you. But can you forget the magnificent timing that the workers brough about in the achievement of the Responsible Government? It was the good return of powerful labour struggle that made it possible to assert your birth rights. After the power has been transferred in the State I am sure everyone expected that the first popular Ministry would go forward and there would be a drastic changed. It is now the Caretaker Government that is in power. This Government that is formed after the sacrifices of the people, such Government had every opportunity to go forward with the schemes and refuse all that would struct at the very root of the Economic, Social and other progress of the Country. Your Government has wasted time in discussing and in indulging in unnecessary discussions which are hardly relevant to the life of the people. When I came here a few days back I found the leaders of the Congress and Government in wasting their energy over the problem to decide whether the citizens of Mysore are citizens of India Union. (Laughter). The result of such discussions is of least benefit to any common man. The Congress Government that is in power in many places or your Mysore Government which is also run by Congressmen have refused to move forward after the achievement of Freedom. These have been co-operating with the sliding down scale to the extent that the freedom is lost. The meaning, the significance with our great fathers of the nation and our contemporaries varies because of the way in which the freedom is achieved. The freedom won in the country through production of the country must have reactionary forces in the country. If freedom had come to us with the production of country, from successful termination of 1942 Resolutions - Quit India- Disturbances our country forced, I know, rebell, progress, regenerated elements of the country would have moved to the peak of the path. But to-day we find that there is warm welcome to the vested and paracitic interests - there is a climate vulnerable to the vested interests - it is because of the manner of power to given to us. It would be criminal to forget the sacrifices and the difficulties thatthe people in general underwent for the success of their goal. To-day we find that the freedom achieved is lost.

In your State I am told, I don't know how far I have been correctly informed, but let me say that the Ministry has taken no point into consideration about the radical - Social and Economic changes and the limit of man to be satisfied. Caste consideration has been the fast basis for everything. Men have been selected and even Ministers themselves have selected their personal Assistants and other officers from among Civil Services of the State on the basis of Caste Consideration. This I am sure, is not the sort of freedom that Mahatmaji or Netaji Bose who fought for the country and organised a big Military Force outside the Country for the sake of his motherland - irrespective of caste or creed wanted to cherish. Caste consideration, caste jealousism, caste literatures are not the fabrics that our freedom has to be woven. Let me point out there is the Indian form of that counter revolution which has taken place. Socialism and Caste are born opposites. Socialist Party is the only Party in the country that is meeting it irrespective of membership and representatives of Caste and Communal loyalties.

These Mill owners and Paracitic Interests have not only extracted the work of the labourers but also have swindled their money directly or indirectly , who have earned the same from the sweat of their brow. It is because of these fundamental policy - existing at present. Here he gave the example of the Railway Workers of the State. Because of the conscioncious of the people, Organisation of the workers on the fact of their solidarity - the strike organised by them was a very successful one. Solidarity has to be taken first of the Socialist Party By making you feel that you are a member of the Socialist Party and showing you that you have been explited, by making you

you to know about the justice and fairplay that has move you in the past and is likely to be realised."

(At this juncture there was a little disturbance again)

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"Nationalisa may take more and more radical colouration." In this connection he said that the Railway Strike at Mysore is a matter for appreciation of the workers unity and commended it for all their bold step and discipline. He also referred to the Election of the Constituent Assembly of Mysore and regretted the action taken by the popular Government with regard to the officials who took part in the Election Campaign. He also said on account of the intervention of the Government he could not address the Railway Workers at Mysore who were very eager to hear ~~me~~ him. He said that this was ~~the~~ not the policy of any Democartic Government. The leaders of the Railway Employees are all harassed and their organisation looked with suspicion just because they had an opposition, just because some representation of labours are given, some labour representatives were allowed to enter into the Conference this does not mean that the entire organisationis nationalised on Social basis, and the benefits are given to the labourers. Untill and unless they are made to share in the profits of any Company andthey are given proper encouragement in all directions, the labourers are not satisfied. The Socialist Party is not satisfied with the work of the Congress Government and as it wants to give a happy oppositionit has thought fit and has decided to come out of the Congress even though this organisation being in the Congress worked for over 14 years.

(There were Jai-Cars and disturbance - Zindabads were also shouted

Socialist Party could not tolerate or bear any more the support that was being given to the Capitalists and therefore they were out of the Congress. Therefore he appealed to everyone to join the Party irrespective of caste or cread, irrespective of profession whether - students, Doctors, Scientists, Muscians all those men who are architects of life-

He continued with special reference to the Village Panchayats and its working. Analysing how these Panchayats could help the peasants of villages in seeling their produce, for increased production, for the purchase of their needs and wants, he said they want to build a Panchayat Raj and that is how they have started the Kisand Mazdur Sanghas. He said that they want to Build Kisand Mazdur Raj very soon. He said that the Socialist Party demands an active support and co-operation of all types of people. If every Factory is to be run effectively ~~if~~ if every Villager is to be organised through co-operative lines then he said we have got to build big reservoirs which are vast organised. Therefore minimum task before the Socialist Party is to bring about this majority account in the minds of the people in the country.

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Two Socialist Party Flags at each end of the Horse-shoe and one Dominion Flag at the centre were flying near the Dias.

About 1000 persons mostly students had gathered.

Loud Speakers were arranged.

MR. H.A.RAMASWAMY

Mr.H.A.Ramaswamy speaking in Kannada said that about three or four years ago Mr.Ashoka Mehatha had come to Mysore in connection with the Students' Conference held at Nanjangud. He also said that it is needless to introduce the speaker of the day as he is a prominent Socialist Party Leader of Bombay and his activities as the party leaders is well known.

The Socialist Party in Bangalore is aged only about 3 or 4 months. He hoped that the party is already gaining momentum and with the full support of the public it would surely become as one of the most leading Party of the country. Touching the Karnataka Unification and making the Maharaja of Mysore as the Head of the Karnatak he said that this has become a great problem to be solved.

He then requested Mr.Ashoka Mehatha to address the gathering.

MR. ASHOKA MEHATHA

As he stood on the platform number of garlands were offered to him by various Labour and other organisations, one by one.

Then he addressed the gathering first in English and for a few minutes in Hindustani at the end.

Friends:

It is rather unfortunate that I cannot speak to you in your own language. The alternatives are that I have to speak in English or Hindustani. I have given to understand that many of you will be able to understand English and therefore I will address major portion of my speech in English and then for a little time in Hiddustani. Friends you will pardon me if I am s compelled to speak to you in a low tone. I am not doing well and I am suffering from throat trouble and therefore I am speaking to you in a very low tone.

I am sure most of you are anxious to know something about the Socialist Party. I find the audience is made up of preominently of young people, men who are anxious to understand the situation, to study the developments that took place before our eyes and to co-operate and participate in the developments in the construction that we all desired. Some of you are perhaps are already thrown into the Socialism and some of you have curiosity that is something better than idle curiosity. You are endevoured to demand from us about the work of the Socialist Party and the development of the Socialis Party and its movements in the Country.

Friends, from a long time, say many years, our people we fixing their attention, devoting their time for the achievement of Freedom of the Country. Our wast country was anxious to push out the alient Rulers from this Country. You and I and citizens of the country fought for freedom of the country and snatched the authority from the degraded Rulers who have ruled the States in the past. You desired Responsible Government

and fought for the freedom of the country. Some of you have sacrificed a-lot in the struggle and others have offered your sympathy and co-operation to the Country's struggle. Generally speaking in the State in particular manner, the freedom for which you ~~ax~~ were dreaming, the objective of our support for freedom has come. The division of freedom has made us to follow so many miseries and difficulties. Is this the achievement of our Freedom? Communalism and hatred and discontentment has spread all over the country. Was this the fate of Freedom for which our Martyrs died, you and I die for? I had got an opportunity to meet you and speak to you and I know we would have talked about Freedom. We would have spoken in a manner entirely different from what is it to-day. Inspite of the fact that our leaders, men who have followed implicityly, loyally and who have sacrificed a lot, men who have been our leaders or inspirers have been or could have supposed to be in authority, it is surprising to see that the country remains still disorganised, as much in the shadow of misery as it was before. No fundamental working in the Factories and Mills have been effected, we find no change whatsoever in the Labour Class, no improvement on the looms, its mintangling wages continue, conditions have not ~~xik~~ at all improved and they stand where they are. Surely this was not what was expected of the Freedom. Reporters of the present Government tell us that the country remains as it was. Prime Minister of India, Pandit Nehrus ~~texium~~ tells us there would be change of time. If that equality of freedom is denied to us to-day it is because our Government is parting through great difficulties. There has been delay to face the problems, obstacles etc., the light of which their future Government have faced. I am sure all of us are aware of the difficulties that the Government has to face. You and I and millions of our countrymen have fought and faced lot of difficulties, but the question arises - when these difficulties in action would be a limitable solution. Let us forget (At this time there was some disturbance in one of the corners of the field and interference.)

He continued: let us get over interruption. As I was telling there is not the least doubt that the Government had to face most unusual difficulties. But let us not be forgotten even in the light of difficulties the Government had the entire support of the people. The Government of Free India carried on all its activities with the full support of the people of the country (Again the trouble - then he questioned "What is the trouble?")

Friends: The difficulties really created the situation to its worst.

(As there was continued disturbance Mr.K.Kannan addressed the gathering in Tamil and appealed to the public with special reference to the Binny Workers to be patient and the speach of the speaker would be translated into Kannada)

Friends: I was trying to point out that these very difficulties, these struggle created the state of unsettlement (Laughter). The minds of the people were upon the changes for the good and demanded for these changes, because of the failure of the Government to push forward and to move forward the state of discentment that are seen through out the country. Achievement of Freedom was not a glamour flood phynomenon. Peoples mind was for radical changes . . . That atmosphere could have been taken advantage for the achievement of a big advance rather than to curb it down.

In your State Responsible Govermen came in not as a result of the fight of a single individual or group of indivi You all fought for the achievement of freedom. Your solidar your discipline, your sacrifices created a terror to the Gove

and transferred the power to you. But can you forget the magnificent timing that the workers brough about in the achievement of the Responsible Government? It was the good return of powerful labour struggle that made it possible to assert your birth rights. After the power has been transferred in the State I am sure everyone expected that the first Popular Ministry would go forward and there would be drastic changed. It is now the Caretaker Government that is in power. This Government that is formed after the sacrifices of the people, such Government had every opportunity to go forward with the schemes and refuse all that would struct at the very root of the Economic, Social and other progress of the Country. Your Government has wasted time in discussing and in indulging in unnecessary discussions which are hardly relevant to the life of the people. When I came here a few days back I found the leaders of the Congress and Goverment in wasting their energy over the problem to decide whether the citizens of Mysore are citizens of India Union. (Laughter). The result of such discussions is of least benefit to any common man. The Congress Government that is in power in many places or your Mysore Government which is also run by Congressmen have refused to move forward after the achievement of Freedom. These have been co-operating with the sliding down scale to the extent that the freedom is lost. The meaning, the significance with our great fathers of the nation and our contemporaries varies because of the way in which the freedom is achieved. The freedom won in the country through production of the country must have reactionary forces in the country. If freedom had come to us with the production of country, from successful termination of 1942 Resolutions - Quit India- Disturbances our country forced, I know, rebell, progress, regenerated elements of the country would have moved to the peak of the path. But to-day we find that there is warm welcome to the vested and paracitic interests - there is a climate vulnerable to the vested interests - it is because of the manner of power ~~is~~ given to us. It would be criminal to forget the sacrifices and the difficulties thatthe people in general underwent for the success of their goal. To-day we find that the freedom achieved is lost.

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These Mill owners and Paracitic Interests have not only extracted the work of the labourers but also have swindled their money directly or indirectly , who have earned the same from the sweat of their brow. It is because of these fundamental policy - existing at present. Here he gave the example of the Railway Workers of the State. Because of the conscioúnciou of the people, Organisation of the workers on the fact of their solidarity - the strike organised by them was a very successful one. Solidarity has to be taken first of the Socialist Party By making you feel that you are a member of the Socialist Party and showing you that you have been explited, by making you

you to know about the justice and fairplay that has move you in the past and is likely to be realised."

(At this juncture there was a little disturbance again)

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"Nationalism may take more and more radical colouration. In this connection he said that the Railway Strike at Mysore is a matter for appreciation of the workers unity and commended it for all their bold step and discipline. He also referred to the Election of the Constituent Assembly of Mysore and regretted the action taken by the popular Government with regard to the officials who took part in the Election Campaign. He also said on account of the intervention of the Government he could not address the Railway workers at Mysore who were very eager to hear me him. He said that this was the not the policy of any Democartic Government. The leaders of the Railway Employees are all harassed and their organisation looked with suspicion just because they had an opposition, just because some representation of labours are given, some labour representatives were allowed to enter into the Conference this does not mean that the entire organisationis nationalised on Social basis, and the benefits are given to the labourers. Untill and unless they are made to share in the profits of any Company andthey are given proper encouragement in all directions, the labourers are not satisfied. The Socialist Party is not satisfied with the work of the Congress Government and as it wants to give a happy oppositionit has thought fit and has decided to come out of the Congress even though this organisation being in the Congress worked for over 14 years.

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